

Auditor empowered to reject returns of sheriffs believed to be incorrect and to make investigations.

SEC. 47. That the auditor of the state is hereby authorized to reject the annual returns of any sheriff when he has good reason to believe said returns are not entirely correct and contain material omissions in Schedules "B" and "C" in any of the subjects of taxation therein provided, and may make investigations as to such omissions, and for this purpose may send for persons and papers.

Treasurer authorized to expend not exceeding \$2,500 to secure proper and prompt collection of taxes.

SEC. 48. A sum not to exceed twenty-five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to be expended by the treasurer of the state as he may deem best and necessary to secure the proper and prompt collection of the taxes.

SEC. 49. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

In the general assembly read three times, and ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1887.

CHAPTER 136.

An act to amend section three thousand and eighty of The Code, so as to authorize the United States to acquire title to lands on which are to be erected certain public buildings.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 3080, Code, amended. United States authorized to acquire land in this state for purpose of building, &c.

SECTION 1. It shall be lawful for the United States to purchase or otherwise acquire title to any tract or parcel of land in the State of North Carolina for the purpose of erecting thereon any custom-house, court-house, post-office or other building, including light-house, light keeper's dwellings, life saving stations, buoys and coal depots and buildings connected therewith.

SEC. 2. This act shall be in force from its ratification.

In the general assembly read three times, and ratified this the 2d day of March, A. D. 1887.